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In re Application of:

Examiner: K. George

Charles David Claude

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Title: CONTROLLED MORPHOLOGIES IN POLYMER DRUG FOR  
RELEASE OF DRUGS FROM POLYMER FILMS

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Commissioner of Patents  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Examiner George:

This is a response to the Office Action dated May 14, 2003, which has a shortened statutory period for response that ended on August 14, 2003. The accompanying petition requests a one-month extension of time, extending the period to respond to September 14, 2003.